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Mr. Andrew V. Corry, Coordinator
Senior Seminar in Foreign Policy
Foreign Service Institute
Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Corry:

Thank you very much for your letter on 1 January inviting me to address the Fourth Session of the Senior Seminar in Foreign Policy at the Foreign Service Institute on 6 February at 2:30 p.m.

I will be glad to participate in your seminar and accept your invitation with pleasure. It was thoughtful of you to ask me to join you, and I am looking forward to this occasion.

With kindest regards,

John A. McCone

Director

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Dear Mr. McCone:

We should count it a privilege if you would come and talk to the Fourth Session of the Senior Seminar in Foreign Policy, Foreign Service Institute, Department of State, on the subject of "The National Intelligence Community and the Function of CIA Therein", on Tuesday, February 6 at 2:30 P.M. Your predecessor, Honorable Allen W. Dulles, gave us a talk on a similar subject last year. The lecture which we hope you will give us is in a segment of our course devoted to the consideration of the formulation and execution of American foreign policy. You would be free to develop the subject in any way you like, of course.

The Senior Seminar is the most advanced training program in international relations and foreign policy offered by the Department of State. I am enclosing a leaflet containing a brief description of the objectives of the course and an outline of its curriculum.

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This fiscal year our group consists of 22 persons--a representative of CIA, [redacted] among them, as well as a representative of the Department of the Treasury, Colonels from the Army, Air Force and Marine Corps, a Navy Captain and 13 officers from the upper ranks of the Foreign Service of the State Department. Each has been selected on the basis of excellence of performance and potential to reach the top-most rank of his service. The average age of the members of the group is in the mid-40's and their average length of service in the neighborhood of 20 years. I am enclosing a list giving their names and backgrounds.

Our method is primarily that of a seminar preceded by an opening talk. We do not have in mind a formal lecture but rather an informal presentation of perhaps three-quarters of an hour in length, to be followed by a period of equal duration (or shorter if your time would forbid you to remain so long with us) for a discussion in which the members would participate.

The Honorable
John A. McCone,
Director, Central Intelligence Agency,
Washington 25, D. C.

The group will have been assigned readings in this field, but we shall appreciate any suggestion you care to make about appropriate readings. One of the members will act as chairman and will be responsible for coordinating the questions from the floor. Remarks made by a speaker at the Seminar are considered privileged and, therefore, are not for quotation or attribution.

The Seminar is held at the Foreign Service Institute, located in Arlington Towers, 1018 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia. A plan of the area of the Institute, showing the location of the Seminar, is enclosed.

If you should desire to telephone me, I can be reached at Code 182, Extension 2833. If I should be out when you telephone, may I suggest that you ask for my Deputy, James M. Byrne, or for our Staff Assistant, James Cobblewick on Extension 4995.

Sincerely yours,

Andrew V. Coffey

Andrew V. Coffey
Coordinator
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Enclosures:

1. Description & Outline.
2. Biographic List.
3. Map.